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In re Application of:

Akm N. Islam, et al.

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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR  
HIGHLY AVAILABLE TIMER  
SERVICE IN A J2EE CLUSTER

§ Group Art Unit: 2153

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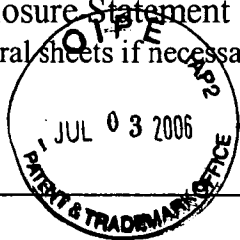
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**OTHER ART (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)**

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A4	"WebSphere Commerce V5.5 Handbook Customization and Deployment Guide." IBM, November 2003, (pages 109-132)

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